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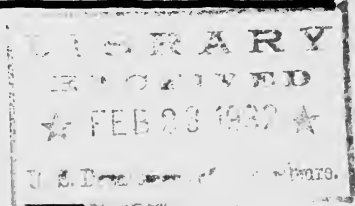
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CALIFORNIA DAHLIAS

FOR

1932

OUR DAHLIA ROOTS ARE
NOT FORCED, BUT GROWN TO
PRODUCE PERFECT FLOWERS
OF SUPERIOR QUALITY



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**3852 LOMA VISTA AVENUE
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

DAHLIAS

WE take great pleasure in presenting you with our Dahlia catalogue for 1932. We list only novelties, and standard varieties of real merit, based on actual experience and personal observation. Our list does not include a large collection, but only such varieties that have been selected for their superiority in color, perfection of form, length and stiffness of stem, continuous blooming, etc. All new introductions are grown from introducer's stock.

We specialize on pot-grown field ripened Dahlia roots, grown under the most favorable climatic conditions. This is the most modern method of growing Dahlias. These roots with ordinary care will produce for the grower, a large quantity of very high class flowers.

Roots and green plants will give equally good results, if plants are given immediate care upon arrival. Our plants are strong, hardy Lath House grown stock. Packed by experts in ventilated containers, the plants travel safely on a six day trip.

We supply roots after January 1st, pot-grown plants from May 1st to September. For terms of sale, etc., see last page.

As Dahlia bulbs or tubers are really roots, it has been decided to call them roots—their proper name—in the future.



ABBREVIATIONS. S-C Semi-Cactus. FD Formal Decorative. ID Informal Decorative. The largest prize winners are of these three types.

ALICE WHITTIER, S-C One of the largest and finest primrose yellow Dahlias for exhibition. Excellent cane-like stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 50c

ACHIEVEMENT, (Ballay). S-C Gold with bronze shadings. A magnificent new Dahlia of immense size, perfect form and strong cane-like stems. Winner of the 1930 American Home Achievement Medal.....Green Plants Only, \$3.00

AL KORAN, ID A beautiful large blossom suffused with golden rod and amber, on a cane-like stem.....Roots, 50c

AMULET, FD A deep rich brown, suffused with old rose and gold. Large flowers on strong stems.....Roots, 50c

AMUN RA, FD Gorgeous shades of copper and orange. A Roll of Honor Dahlia on an excellent stem.....Roots, 50c

ANN RUTLEDGE, (Michael). ID A glowing cerise, shaded rose, with mallow pink reverse. The splendid petal formation with just a half curl makes it a real aristocrat. The fact that it won the Achievement Medal at the first time of showing stamps it as a Dahlia of exceptional merit and worthy of the name of Lincoln's sweetheart.....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c

AZTEC GLORY, (Broomall). ID A clear picric yellow with deep massive flowers, of unusual and most artistic formation, held on strong, erect stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia. A consistent prize winner.....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c

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- BAGDAD**, (Redfern). ID A new flaming scarlet red. A tall sturdy grower of excellent blooming habits. An outstanding prize winner at all shows.....Green Plants Only, \$3.00
- BARBARA REDFERN**, (Redfern). ID An immense Dahlia of wonderful substance and sturdy stout stems. The color is a blend of old rose and gold. Blooms early and profusely all season. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 75c
- BARBARA WEAR**, (Seal). ID A beautiful large flower in pinkish lavender, shading to cream. Excellent stems. A fine cut flower. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 50c
- BEAR CLAWS**, S-C An immense cactus of rich true carmine. A most striking prize winning variety.....Roots, 50c
- BETHEL'S BEAUTY**, (Billington). ID The flowers are large, of a deep lavender color and have great depth. The stems are perfect. A first prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- BETTY IVINS**, (Fisher & Masson). ID Apricot shading to pink. Large beautiful flowers on strong stems. A most popular prize winning variety.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- BLACK JACK**, FD Dark maroon, almost black. A very attractive flower on a strong stem.....Roots, 50c
- CALUMET**, FD Large, long stemmed, perfectly formed flowers of Chamios and gold. This Dahlia is exceptionally sturdy and easy to grow. Excellent for commercial use. A first prize winner of unusual beauty.....Roots, 75c
- CAPRICE**, (Mawson). ID A huge decorative of same coloring as Ambassador, soft yellow with salmon, amber and pink shadings. Large perfect flowers on excellent stems. Awarded two Gold Medals and Achievement Medal at Dahlia shows in San Francisco in 1930-31.....Roots, \$5.00; Plants, \$2.00
- CHAMPAGNE**, FD Color, golden champagne with Chamios shadings. A good grower and free bloomer.....Roots, 50c
- CHEMAR'S PURETY**, (Marsh). FD A fine white flower of immense size, borne on strong stiff stems. A hardy grower. Awarded Certificate by A. D. S.....Roots, 75c
- CITY OF TRENTON**, (F. & M.). ID A large exhibition flower in autumn shades of tangerine and strawberry red. Excellent stem and habit.....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c
- COL. CHAS. A. LINDBERGH**, (F. & M.). ID A rose color, suffused with old ivory, shading to pale gold in center. Large flower on a sturdy stem.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- COLOR SARGEANT**, (Hall). ID A large perfect flower of a deep, rich, bronze color. Medium growth, strong stems. A Dahlia of great merit.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- DERRILL W. HART**, (Broomall). ID Sapucine yellow shading to grenadine red, in cold weather almost a copper color. The blooms are large and of perfect form. Long stiff stems. A good producer and a fine keeper. A Roll of Honor Dahlia of exceptional merit.....Roots, \$2.50; Plants, \$1.00
- DONNA CALIFORNIA**, (Ballay). ID Deep rose pink suffused with lavender. A huge flower of perfect form, borne on strong, rigid stems. An excellent keeper and a Roll of Honor Dahlia of great beauty.....Green Plants Only, \$2.50
- DORIS CANNEY**, (Seal). FD Color, rich golden apricot. The blooms are huge and of great depth and are carried on sturdy stems. A prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- DWIGHT W. MORROW**, (Dahliadel). ID A new outstanding Dahlia of immense size. A brilliant rich crimson red of royal appearance. Very productive and a strong grower. Perfect stems. Does not fade and is an excellent keeper. Winner at all shows the country over. The most attractive red Dahlia we have ever grown.....Roots, \$6.00; Plants, \$2.50

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- EAGLE ROCK SUNSHINE**, S-C Color, a deep shade of bright yellow. Large flowers on excellent stems.....Roots, 50c
- EARLE WILLIAMS**, ID Rich scarlet petals, tipped with white. A beautiful Dahlia and a sturdy grower.....Roots, 75c
- EDITH BERYL**, (Vero). ID Color, jasper pink and picric yellow. Perfect giant blooms on cane-like stems. An excellent keeper and a fine commercial variety.....Roots, 75c
- EDNA FERBER**, (F. & M.). S-C A beautiful glistening coral cactus that shades to old rose at base of petals. Large full flower with gracefully curled and twisted petals. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- EL DORADO**, FD Color, vivid gold, deepening towards the center. A fine exhibition variety.....Roots, 50c
- EL GRANADA**, S-C Large flowers of vivid orange with creamy yellow reverse. Sturdy erect stems.....Roots, 75c
- ELLINOR VANDERVEER**, FD Immense rose pink. Excellent stem and habit. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 50c
- ELITE GLORY**, FD A monstrous flower of a brilliant rich red without any apparent purple or maroon shadings. Cannot be surpassed for spectacular effect. Wonderful for exhibition, strong stems. Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 75c
- EL REY**, (Cordes). ID A very large flower in rich salmon and orange shades. A strong vigorous grower. Very productive with an excellent stem and habit. A Roll of Honor Dahlia of great merit.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- ESHCOL**, (Newsom). FD The color of this Dahlia is a most strikingly handsome, dark, rich, velvety, reddish bronze. Large perfect flowers. Good stems and fine habit of growth. Cannot be surpassed for color effect. A first prize winner of exceptional beauty.....Roots, \$3.50; Plants, \$1.50
- FAITH GARIBALDI**, FD A deep rose color, excellent keeper and a Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- FLAMING METEOR**, (Barker). ID Color, orange scarlet deepening to burnt orange at center. Strong stems. An excellent cut flower. A prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- FORT MONMOUTH**, (Kemp). ID The color is a rich crimson maroon with a hue of bluish violet at tips of petals. The flowers are of immense size, borne on strong stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia. A prize winner....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c
- FORT WASHINGTON**, (Rindfleisch). FD A dark mahogany red which does not fade. One of the best and largest dark red exhibition varieties. A strong grower with excellent stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- FRANCESCA**, (Davis). ID An immense blossom with long narrow wavy petals. The color is rose, heavily suffused with gold towards the center and with violet at the tips. A very beautiful Dahlia with long, stiff stems. A fine exhibition and cut flower variety.....Roots, \$1.25; Plants, 60c
- FRANK MILLER**, (Burch). FD An especially fine new Dahlia of clear lemon yellow. Giant size and beautiful formation. Sturdy long stems. An excellent grower and producer. A prize winner at all shows.....Roots, \$4.00; Plants, \$1.50
- GALLI CURCI**, (Hall). ID Large perfect flowers on strong, wiry stems. Color, salmon orange with golden sheen. A first prize winner of great beauty.....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c
- HATHOR**, (Seal). ID A very striking Dahlia of unusual coloring, orange flame deepening to crimson. Excellent stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 50c

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- ISLAM PATROL**, S-C Very dark velvety scarlet, tipped and flushed with pure gold. Wonderful long stem. A fine cut flower and a prize winner of great beauty.....Roots, 75c
- JANE COWL**, (Downs). ID An Eastern Novelty that has been a sensation wherever shown. A massive deep decorative with petals curled and twisted. Color, glistening bronzy buff and old gold blending to a deeper shade toward the center. Cane-like stems. A plant of ideal growth. A Roll of Honor Dahlia and the greatest prize winning variety to date.....Roots, 75c
- JERSEY'S BEACON**, (Waite). FD A Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse. A consistent prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- JERSEY'S BEAUTY**, FD This beautiful pink Dahlia is a famous prize winner and on the Roll of Honor.....Roots, 50c
- JERSEY'S IDEAL**, ID Color, dark lavender pink. Has excellent stems and is fine for exhibition.....Roots, 50c
- JOY**, (Bessie Boston). A Clear silver lavender is the color of the exquisite Dahlia. Its large flowers grow exactly on top of sturdy, cane-like stems. An excellent keeper. A Roll of Honor Dahlia of great merit.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- J. W. DAVIS**, S-C Deep shade of cerise at center, gradually shading to a lighter tint. Large flowers.....Roots, 50c
- KATHLEEN NORRIS**, (F. & M.). ID A gigantic bloom from twelve to fourteen inches in diameter. Color, true rose pink, later deepening to a mallow pink. A great bloomer and an excellent keeper. Strong, cane-like stems and a fine habit. Awarded the highest prizes at all shows. A Roll of Honor Dahlia. Has no equal.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- KENTUCKY**, (Castlewood). FD A sport from Jersey's Beauty. Color, brilliant light salmon orange, shading to an orange yellow at base of petals. The large flowers are held erect on long, rigid stems. A wonderful producer with excellent keeping qualities. An exceptional cut flower and a prize winner at all shows.....Roots, \$1.50; Plants, 75c
- KING TUT**, FD An extra large blossom of rich dark glowing crimson, carried on a cane-like stem.....Roots, 75c
- KOHINOOR**, S-C Color, maroon and at times so dark as to be nearly black. Its huge flowers of perfect form, are held erect on cane-like stems.....Roots, 50c
- LAVINA BROOMALL**, (Broomall). S-C A very large and unusual Dahlia, different and striking, even among this season's best introductions. Cane-like stems. Color, light orange to capucine yellow, shaded coral pink. No other Dahlia like it. A first prize winner.....Roots, \$3.50; Plants, \$1.50
- LENORE WOOLAMS**, (Seal). ID A Dahlia of immense size. Color, pure Tyrian Rose or American Beauty shade. The magnificent blooms are borne on long, rigid stems. A prize winner of exceptional merit.....Roots, \$1.25; Plants, 60c
- LEWIS, JR.**, FD Large gorgeous velvet red, shading deeper to the center, outer petals curved and twisted. Excellent stems. A first prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- MARMION**, ID Amber, heavily suffused rose, lightening toward the center to a true amber. Huge flowers on excellent stems. A good keeper and a prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- MARGARET MASSON**, FD A silvery rose pink flower of great size and depth. Excellent stems.....Roots, 50c
- MAUD JOHNSON**, (Johnson). ID A wonderful Dahlia of pinkish violet shading to white, flushed with lavender, with base of petals gold. Strong stems.....Roots, 75c
- MAY TROWER**, (Seal). ID A huge, deep, most artistic flower, ranging from palest gold to deepest apricot, strong stem, profuse bloomer. A prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- M. H. DE YOUNG**, FD A beautiful blossom of pure gold. Size and stem perfect. Excellent keeper.....Roots, 75c

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- MISS CALIFORNIA**, ID Lavender pink. Large perfect flowers on excellent stems. A prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- MISS LONGVIEW**, (Tyler). ID A magnificent Dahlia of immense size and perfect form. Color, most attractive shades of old gold and amber. Strong, wiry stems. A first prize winner of great merit.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- MISS SAN FRANCISCO**, FD A splendid large flower. Color, true orchid pink. Excellent stems.....Roots, 50c
- MRS. ALFRED B. SEAL**, (Seal). ID Undoubtedly the largest and finest pure, rich, glowing old rose Dahlia ever produced. The flowers are huge and of the greatest depth and substance, carried on cane-like stems. A wonderful producer and an excellent keeper. A Gold Medal Dahlia that lives up to its awards. A Roll of Honor Dahlia....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- MRS. CARL SALBACH**, FD Lavender pink, with long straight stems. Unexcelled for exhibition.....Roots, 50c
- MRS. ELENOR MARTIN**, ID A beautiful mulberry color suffused with gold. Excellent stems.....Roots, 75c
- MRS. GEO. SUGG**, (Andrews). FD Huge blooms in Congo pink, borne on long, cane-like stems. A wonderful producer. A first prize winner of great merit.....Roots, 75c
- MRS. I DE VER WARNER**, FD Orchid or rich rosy mauve. Perfect flowers on long, stiff stems.....Roots, 50c
- NOBILIS**, ID Brilliant crimson and white are well distributed. Consistent early and late bloomer.....Roots, 50c
- OLIVE REED**, ID A wonderful clear yellow of mammoth size, borne on strong cane-like stems. Excellent habit. A splendid keeper and a first prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- PANSY G. WHITE**, (White). S-C Color, a very clear yellow, a pure shade of gold. Large perfectly formed flowers borne on strong, cane-like stems. A prize winner wherever shown. One of the best keepers and finest yellows we have ever grown. A Roll of Honor Dahlia....Roots, \$4.00; Plants, \$1.50
- PAPILLION**, ID A beautiful shade of old rose with golden lights. A constant bloomer. Strong stems.....Roots, 50c
- POLAR BEAR**, FD A pure white, with perfectly formed flowers on strong stems. An excellent cut flower.....Roots, 50c
- PRIDE OF FORT MORGAN**, (Phlage). FD A brilliant red. Large blooms on strong stems. Prize winner.....Roots, 50c
- PRINCE OF PERSIA**, (Newsom). ID A new giant California Dahlia in a rich, glowing, crimson red. Immense long petaled, deep flowers. Stem, strong and straight. Excellent form and habit. Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Plants Only, \$5.00
- QUEEN OF THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL**, FD An enormous light yellow. The stems are tall stiff canes which support the large flowers wonderfully. Winner of the S. W. Heller Memorial Prize. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 75c
- REGAL**, (Bessie Boston). ID This immense Gold Medal Dahlia is a combination of autumn shades, bronze heavily suffused with old rose and shading to gold at the base of the petals, giving an effect of burnished copper. Long, rigid stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- ROBERT TREAT**, FD American Beauty color. An excellent exhibition Dahlia on a strong stem.....Roots, 50c
- ROLLO BOY**, S-C Color, delicate amber shading to old gold. Flowers are carried erect on strong stems.....Roots, 50c
- ROSE STILSON**, (Seal). ID A deep old rose, touched with violet, shading to gold at the base of the petals. Strong stems. A prize winner of great merit.....Roots, 50c

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- SALBACH'S WHITE**, FD The most perfectly formed large white Dahlia we have ever grown. Excellent stems, good keeper and a first prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- SANHICAN'S PEACH**, ID Color, flesh pink. Excellent form and habit. Large flowers, perfect stems..Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- SANHICAN'S QUEEN**, (F. & M.). FD Color, blending of apricot and carmine. Excellent habits, rigid stem and fine foliage. A splendid Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE**, (Chris-Seal). ID A magnificent, large flower of burnt orange and rich golden tones. Excellent stems. A first prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- SANTA ANNA**, (Pelicano). ID A beautiful salmon rose, suffused with gold. Large flowers on strong, wiry stems. An excellent exhibition variety. A prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- SANTA BARBARA**, (Pelicano). FD The color is a clear pink with a suggestion of salmon pink. The large flowers are held high above the foliage on stems as stiff as canes. The bushes are of medium height, strong and hardy. Santa Barbara won the Achievement Medal as the best Dahlia introduced for the season of 1930. The best and most striking glistening pink Dahlia we have grown.....Roots, \$2.50; Plants, \$1.00
- SANTUZZA**, (Hodgens). S-C A beautiful coral pink of great size and depth, held erect on strong stems. A wonderful producer and a fine cut flower.....Roots, 75c
- SEAL'S CALIFORNIAN**, (Seal). ID This huge Dahlia is a bright golden yellow at the center, shading lighter toward the outer petals and suffused with a bronze rosy pink. Strong, rigid stems. A fine keeper. Winner of the Western Garden & Home Trophy Cup.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c
- SISKIYOU**, S-C A truly sensational Dahlia. The stems are stiff as rods, and the flower is a very attractive pink, with a suggestion of mauve. A prize winner.....Roots, 75c
- SILVERADO**, (Seal). S-C The immense blooms are white, gradually shading toward the center to a delicate silvery lavender. A strong grower with excellent stems. A Gold Medal prize winner of great merit.....Roots, 75c
- SOLE MIO**, S-C The color is a deep yellow suffused with apricot. The flowers are held erect on excellent stems. Fine for exhibition. A Gold Medal Dahlia.....Roots, 50c
- TREASURE ISLAND**, (Dahliadel). FD Color, bright apricot with gold and rose suffusion. A strong, vigorous grower with large, perfect flowers and excellent stems. A success in all localities. A prize winning Roll of Honor Dahlia of great beauty and distinction.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- TRENTONIAN**, FD A giant decorative in a wonderful blending of old gold, amber and coppery bronze. Perfect stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, 50c
- VIOLET WONDER**, (Kemp). ID The predominating color is a rich naphthaline violet, lightening to a bluish violet at tips of petals with a lavender reverse. Excellent stems. A Roll of Honor Dahlia.....Roots, \$1.75; Plants, 80c
- WHITE EMPRESS**, (Jost-Alling). ID A clear, clean white of perfect formation. Winner of the Dornell Cup, as the best keeping variety. Very productive, excellent stems. A grand commercial white for Florists.....Roots, \$2.00; Plants, \$1.00
- YANKEE KING**, (S. W. Woods). ID Color, intense flame with rose reverse. Giant blooms on strong, wiry stems. An excellent keeper. A prize winner.....Roots, \$1.00; Plants, 50c

DAHLIAS OF

Cactus, Peony Flowered, Collarette and Ball Types

ABBREVIATIONS. C Cactus. P Peony. Coll Collarette. B Ball.

These beautiful varieties are priced at: Roots 50c each, three for \$1.35, six for \$2.50.

ALBERT WARD, P An immense, deep purple with excellent stems.

ALMA DAVIES, P Soft yellow salmon with deep rose shadings.

AMBASSADOR, C Color, yellow salmon with soft pink shadings.

A. R. PERRY, C Old rose, tipped with gold, incurved petals.

CLARA SEATON, B A rich golden bronze with quilled petals.

CURLEW, C Color, a brilliant rose. Artistic incurved petals.

GORGEOUS, P A beautiful yellow shading to bright scarlet.

GIANT DE LYON, Coll Velvety carmine, cream color petals.

MARSAN, Coll A brilliant rose pink with a pure white collar.

MRS. HALLAWELL, B Beautiful shades of a rich orchid pink.

SILVERHILL PARK, C A beautiful white, large in size.

SYDNEY JONES, C A deep pink enhanced by a yellow center.

TOM JONES, B Beautiful shades of cream, lavender and pink.

UNCLE SAM, P A huge orange buff, shading to bright pink.

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BETTY MOORE, Beautiful golden yellow with red suffusion.

DIMPLES, Wonderful bloom of golden apricot, darker center.

DONALD GORDON, An excellent brilliant deep orange color.

GERTRUDE, A wonderful carmine, perfect blooms, long stems.

GOLDILOCKS, A beautiful blossom of the purest golden yellow.

HOTTENTOT, A quilled pompon of a bright attractive red.

JOE FETTE, An exceedingly fine white for commercial use.

LILIAS, Cream ground heavily suffused with a lilac sheen.

LITTLE DAVID, The deepest shade of orange. Perfect stems.

LITTLE JEWEL, M Dec Pure peach blossom pink. Very productive.



ORDER EARLY, so as to prevent disappointment. As orders are received stock will be reserved and sent at proper time.

TERMS. Remittance with order, or in advance of shipment. All orders are sent postage prepaid at your planting time, unless otherwise requested.

WE GUARANTEE all Dahlia roots true to name and cheerfully replace any that should prove otherwise. Kindly notify us at once. Orders are carefully filled from selected pot-grown roots, not a single root division, but a fair size Dahlia clump that will give results. We do not substitute unless requested, but it is mutually agreed between the purchaser and ourselves that we shall at no time be liable for an amount larger than the original purchase price. If the purchaser does not accept the goods on these terms, they are at once to be returned.

This list cancels all previous price quotations.

We will be pleased to send your flower loving friends a copy of this catalogue, upon receipt of their names and addresses.

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